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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The trade sentiment for hens and 16-24 lb. toms continued to be steady to firm. No trading reported. Demand mixed, best for deferred. Supplies limited for current shipments and held with confidence. Trading and demand on parts and meats light.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading light to moderate centering on plant grade 8-10 lb. breast. Sales of tom drums light at steady price levels.

SAN FRANCISCO TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	82-89
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	79-89
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	79-89
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	82-89
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	88-103

LOS ANGELES PROCESSED TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	80-92
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP	83-100
BREASTS 10-12#	163-198
COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP	

	<u>RANGE</u>
<u>DELIVERED TO RETAILERS</u>	
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	80-88
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	81-88
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	71
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	73
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	76-78

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

	CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES AVG	WTD (000)	VOLUME	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	67-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 19 APRIL, 1999.

White meat demand light to fair. Trading light on all items. Offerings of fresh tom breast meat uneven with availability tightest for early next week's deliveries for plant start up after the long holiday weekend. Some yearling hen drums (2 loads) traded at 10 cents shipping point. For export: plant grade 8-10 lb. breasts (23 containers) 101.50 shipping point for June, 1999 - January, 2000 shipments, a mixed container of defatted gizzards traded with the hens at 54 and toms at 58 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	97.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		F	141.00	85
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	94.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	16.00		16.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	16.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	15.00		15.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	23.00		23.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	23.00		23.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	20.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM		R	16.66	61
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	180.00	320
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		F	188.00	80
THIGH MEAT		F	50.00	80
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	52.00		52.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	105.00	20
SCAPULA MEAT				
TENDERLOINS		F	142.73	220
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	155.00		155.00	120
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	69.00		69.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	14.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		F	15.33	84
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	16.00		16.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	24.00		24.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	19.00	208
TAILS		R	19.33	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	51.75	416

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted. 3/ Without tenderloins. 4/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.